NSC BRIEFING

20 February 1957

MIDDLE EAST DEVELOPMENTS

I. Egypt

- A. Masr uneasy about Soviet policy shifts.
- B. Masr, Saud, Hussain, Syrians to meet Cairo 26 February.

III. Libya

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- A. Talks with Turks went well.
- B. Ben Halim pushing anti-Egyptian bloc.

IV. Yemen

- A. Another Aden sheikh has defected.
- B. British increasingly concerned.
- C. More arms enroute.
- D. Bloc mission failed.

V. Syria-Lebanon

- A. Beirut assassination of Syrian rightist.
- B. Firing on Syrian convoys.